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Introduction

This Special Airworthiness Information Bulletin (SAIB) provides you, owners and operators of **LET AERONAUTICAL WORKS Model L-23 Super Blanik gliders**, with clarification regarding the **applicability of Airworthiness Directive (AD) 2004-25-17, effective January 28, 2005**. This AD requires an inspection and possible replacement of the elevator rocker lever. Within the context of this AD, the FAA identified a range of applicable serial numbers. Due to the method of serial number nomenclature that LET uses, some confusion may arise concerning which L-23 Super Blaniks that AD 2004-25-17 affects. This bulletin explains the LET numbering system and clarifies the serial numbers applicable to AD 2004-25-17.

Background

The FAA has received from the field a request for clarification concerning which serial numbers apply to AD 2004-25-17. This AD applies to all gliders with serial numbers up to and including 039019 that are certificated in any category.

LET has identified its serial numbering format for the L-23 Super Blanik as follows:

S/N = **AABBCC** where:

AA = the year of manufacture (last two digits; i.e. 1999 = 99, 2002 = 02)

BB = production series (batch number)

CC = the sequential production number within the production series.

You may find this information in the L-13 Super Blanik spare parts catalog, section 0-00-00, page 4.

Recommendation

Using the information stated above, we recommend that registered owners and operators of LET L-23 Super Blanik gliders review their serial numbers and implement the AD instructions as applicable.

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